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Examiner Tran: It was a pleasure speaking with you yesterday in regard to the above-identified matter. As we discussed, attached hereto please find our draft declaration for swearing back of reference. Any comments or suggestions you have that might allow us to most expeditiously continue prosecution of this application to allowance will be most deeply appreciated. Please contact me at (206-332-1394) after you have had a chance to review this draft, and thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please keep in mind that the six-month statutory reply period pertaining to this matter will expire on June 16, 2004. Thank you again and all the very best...,

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	Amendments to the Specification begin on page (n/a) of this paper.
	Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page (n/a) of this paper.
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X	Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.